

Claim 3, lines 1-2, delete "or 2, characterized in that" and substitute
-- wherein -- .

Claim 4, line 5, delete "characterized in that" and substitute -- wherein -- .

Claim 5, line 2, delete "characterized in that" and substitute -- wherein -- .

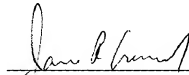
Claim 6, line 5, delete "characterized in that" and substitute -- wherein -- .

REMARKS

In this preliminary amendment, Applicants have amended the claims to eliminate multiple dependent claims. No additional fees are believed to be due. If any fees are determined to be due, authorization is hereby given to charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0624.

Respectfully submitted,

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